

September 13th, 1926.

Mr. C. McCoy Franklin,
Crossnore School,
Crossnore, N.C.

My dear Mr. Franklin:

Your visit to us last Fall has not yet been forgotten. Many of the men of the community and of our church in particular are still deeply interested in you and your work. We should love to know how it is going.

The chairman of the program committee of the Rotary Club has asked me to get in touch with you to see if you are to be up this way again anytime in the near future. If you are, will you not please try to let us have a date. For myself I think I can say that we at the church will try to work you in for the Sunday following whatever Friday you are able to come to the Rotary Club.

Something you said last Fall made me think that you come North once a year.

With all kinds of good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

September 15th, 1926.

Rev. John W. Bowman,
22 West Lafayette St.,
Uniontown, Pa.

My dear John:

We certainly are glad you could come to us and feel mighty happy about the result of your coming. You gave me a new and larger idea of the wideness and sweep of the Gospel.

I hope as you have time you will drop a note here and there to anyone whom you remember or do any little thing you can to keep the connections strong. ~~I~~ am urging our people to do the same. You might send me a list of some good books on India, I believe we could secure them and find many ready readers right now. I am very anxious to keep the subject warm in the minds of the people.

I hope you had a successful trip and will find everything just as you would want it. Please give our very kindest regards to your family particularly to your wife and tell her we will not let you come again without her.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours most sincerely,

September 17th, 1926.

Chaplain H. S. Rinard,
Fort Niagara, N.Y.

My dear Chaplain:

I hope this letter finds you and your family well and happy. Before long I want to run over and make you a visit. I am wondering if you are taking the hike with the troops on the way to Sackets Harbor. I wanted to go down to the lake and see them go by, but did not get the time.

With reference to my suggestion last summer I find that November 7th is the date which I had in my mind. That is the Sunday before the 11th of November. I hope you can plan to come over and be the preacher at our morning service on that date.

We shall certainly have to get to-gether before that time, but I just wanted to remind you of the date so that you can fix it on your calendar.

With all good wishes to all, I am,

Sincerely yours,

W. 203 Mullins Hall,
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary,
Louisville, Kentucky,

Septmeber 18th, 1926.

Dear Stew:

The above is to be my new address, though I am not there yet, of course. I start for school monday afternoon; so please address me there from now on.

I scarcely know how to begin to tell you about how I feel over the fine welcome given me by yourself and wife and by all the people whom I met in Lockport. I am somewhat reticent, I fear, about expressing myself along such lines; possibly my experience of Indian "palavar" has tended to make me more so than I naturally would be. It was a great joy for me to be with you and renew acquaintance of seminary days and even to know you better. I have found the associations with men in the ministry by far the happiest of life's experiences; and my trip to Lockport brought me not the least happy of these. I was particularly interested in and impressed by your associations with your people: I hope you will believe me when I say that they appeared to me to be just about ideal. I hope that the relationship which we have established- I mean, the three-cornered one, so to speak, of yourself, the Church, and myself,- may be one of many years standing.

We went down to Pittsburg on thursday as planned. Doctor Silver was very much pleased with Scottie's progress; he is now walking about at a great rate quite unsupported. He says that the feet will require no further attention; but he intends operating on the legs to twist the bones some time in November, when it will be cooler and Scottie will have strengthened his legs a good deal. In the meantime we are keeping the tape on the feet to over-correct them, if possible.

I shall keep in mind the matter of notes to those I met: it will be nice, too, to hear from them occasionally. As to books on India, I am enclosing a far from complete list, but it may help out. I am classifying the list so that you will have an idea as to what you are getting.

It has occurred to me that this might be an opportune time to mention to you about a fund which I am going to try to raise during my furlough in USA. The Mission at its annual meeting last October, at the request of our Seminary President, Dr. H.C. Velte, (and later the Board of Directors of the Seminary took independent action to the same effect), passed the following resolution: "Resolved that the Mission recommend to the Board to allow J.W. Bowman, while on furlough, to solicit contributions towards a Library Endowment Fund for the Saharanpur Theological Seminary, up to \$5000". This item is to be found in what is called the Special Property List of the Mission; but unfortunately the Board had recently passed a ruling to the effect that all such requests should be contained in what is called the "Preferred Property List" of the India Council. In other words, a technicality is making it impossible for me to make this solicitation from the pulpit; I am not sure that this will prove such a drawback

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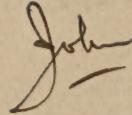
as it sounds, however, as Dr. Speer has written me that I need not hesitate to make this want known to my **friends** in a private way. I have already received a couple hundred dollars toward the fund. I thought you might like to keep it in mind during the year and if any in the Church wish to give to my work, aside, of course, from the regular subscription to my salary, you might care to mention to them that I am hoping to raise this fund. I need not say that it is badly needed; most of the books in our Sem Library are sadly out of date- the majority being books contributed by old missionaries who were laying aside the "harness" and all its appurtenances. Books of reference for our English Classes (men who have the B.A. or other degrees) are especially needed. \$5000. at interest- 5%- will bring in about twice the amount for books that we are able at present to spend. Of course, this is not a very fancy amount, but it will help out a lot.

I need scarcely say that the "glowing account" which I gave my wife of my trip made her more than ever sorry that it was impossible for her to have been with me. She will not be left at home again. In the meantime, we are making arrangements for a picture on monday before I leave.

I am dropping Miss. Douglass a note about the need of a Xmas box in Saharanpur for this year, if it will work in with your plans. If not, let it go, of course. I shall ask her to communicate to you what I write her.

Please remember me to your family and tell Mrs. Robinson how much I enjoyed those very delightful quizzes, etc. etc. in your home. With our best regards to you all,

Cordially,



Books on India.

1. Chiefly Historical:

- * Smith, Vincent- "The Oxford History of India".
- Crooke- "Herklot's Islam in India".
- * Constable and Smith- "Bernier's Travels in the Mogul Empire".
- * DuBois and Beauchamp- "Hindu Manners, Customs, and Ceremonies".

These are all published by the Oxford Univ Press, and may be had, I think, at their American Branch in NYCity. They average about \$2.50 or \$3. each.

2. Religions of India:

- * "A Primer of Hinduism", J.N. Farquhar- Oxford Univ Press- a small book and absolutely the best thing for beginners; it is simple and readable.
- various titles published by the YMCA and procurable both through the YMCA and Oxford Univ Press, as follows:

- "The Chamars"- G.W. Briggs. These are the out-caste leather workers.
- * "Pandita Ramabai"- N. MacNicol
- * "The Music of India"- H.A. Popley
- * "Poems by Indian Women"- Margaret MacNicol
- "Hymns from the RigVeda"- A.A. MacDonnell
- * "The Village Gods of South India"- Bishop H. Whitehead.
- * "The Ahmadiya Movement"- H.A. Walter
- * "The Hindu Religious Year"- M.M. Underhill.
- * "The Treasure of the Magi"- J.H. Moulton
- "The Heart of Jainism"- Mrs. Sinclair Stevenson
- * "The Rites of the Twice Born"- Mrs. S. Stevenson
- * "Modern Religious Movements in India"- J.N. Farquhar
- "Gita and Gospel"- same

3. Christianity in India:

- * "The Christ of the Indian Road"- Stanley Jones
The Abingdon Press, NYCity
- "The Outcastes' Hope"- G.E. Phillips.
- "Narayan Vaman Tilak- The Xn Poet"- J.C. Winslow,
YMCA Press
- "The Indian Standard"- monthly magazine of our
Church, publ. in Allahabad, U.P., India- edit.
by Dr. J.C. Manry.
- * "Among the Wild Tribes of the Afghan Frontier"-
T.L. Pennell.
- * "The Saddhu", and Sundar Singh's Books, publ.
by MacMillan and Company- 3 small books.
- * "Gospel Romance in the Huts of the Punjab"-
F.H. Revell, NYCity- by my colleague, H.E. Anderson.

4. Miscellaneous:

"The Punjab Peasant"- M.L.Darling, Oxf.
Univ Press- the best book on the economics of the Punjab publ.1925- the standard work- about \$3.50.

* "Labour in India"- Janet H.Kelman- about conditions of women labour in India.

* "Things Seen in Northern India"- T.L.Pennell
"Village Education in India"- Oxf Univ Pres; the standard work on our village schools

"Young India", a book containing the collected ideas of Mahatma Gandhi, publ by S. Ganesan, Triplicane, Madras, S.E., India about \$1.50.

* ""Alexander Duff", William Paton, YMCA Press

* "William Carey" S.P.Carey, grandson of the older man- YMCA Press

Those starred are the ones that would probably be most popular with the people of the Church, including the young people. There are other titles that I cannot lay my hands on now, which go even in some cases ahead of the above. I'll look them up later. *Not all are equally trustworthy, of course.*

Rev. Mr. Roy L. Ladd,
Presbyterian Church
Lockport,

Lockport, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Roy Ladd,
I am sorry to inform you that our church bell has been removed
to be repaired and we have no bell to ring the service.

September 21st, 1926.

Mr. H. L. Peck,
103 Marigold Ave.,
Buffalo, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Peck:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of September 19th. We were very happy to know that you are still one of our radio congregation.

The omission of the church bell is only temporary. Workmen are busy repairing the belfry and for a little time it is impossible to use our church bell. We hope in a week or two possibly next Sunday to have that back as a part of the service.

With very kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

103 Marigold Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.
Sept. 19th, 1926.

Rev. Stuart M. Robinson, Pastor,
First Presbyterian Church,
Lockport, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Your service having just concluded, I am hastening to advise you how we welcome its return to the air. They are a source of great enjoyment and inspiration to us.

As the music peals forth from your wonderful organ, the effect in the home is beyond words to describe.

As a former resident of Lockport, it was with great regret that we noted the omission of the "Ringing and Tolling" of the church bell, the inclusion of which with the service has always brought the Sabbath in Lockport very vividly to our home.

With very best wishes for a successful year in your work, and looking forward to your services, I am

Very truly yours,

H. R. Beck

September 23rd, 1926.

Mr. G. R. Southgate,
32 Ferrier Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.

My dear Mr. Southgate:

Thank you very much for your note of September 21st. It was very kind of you to take the trouble to send us word.

All being well we hope to be on the air every Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock. I enclose a church calendar which may interest you.

Very truly yours,

Toronto Sept 21.

1926.

Dear Sir

Glad to hear your services on the air we ~~are~~ enjoy them very much. Hope you will continue all winter. Wishing you and your church the best of luck and prosperity.

G. R. Southgate

32 Ferrier Ave

Toronto No. 6.

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September 24th, 1926.

Mr. A. H. Kimble,
North Collins, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Kimble:

Thank you very much for your note and ^{the} very generous enclosure. It was very thoughtful of you to voluntarily give us your help.

It is a great joy to know that your mother in spite of her infirmities can still enjoy worship through the means of the radio. We will think of you now as part of our radio congregation. Please remember me very kindly to your mother and accept my very kindest regards for yourself as well.

Sincerely yours,

September 29th, 1926.

Mr. & Mrs. Archie B. Fancher,
Albion, N.Y.

My dear Mr. & Mrs. Fancher:

Thank you very much for your kind note of September 26th and the very generous enclosure. It is a great delight to hear from members of our radio congregation. It is the only way we are able to get in touch with them.

It would be a great pleasure to have you worship with us in our church. We will try to give you a most hearty welcome. Meanwhile

Meanwhile thanking you for your kindness and thoughtfulness, I beg to remain,

Cordially yours,

Albion N.Y.
Sept 26, 1926.

S. Stewart M. Robinson,
Dear Sir;

We have listened many times to your sermons through W.M.A.K. and have enjoyed them very much.

The services nearly always come in loud & clear, and we feel as though we were acquainted with you. Some day we hope to go to Lockport and attend the services at your church.

We are enclosing a little gift to be used as you see fit.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. and Mrs. Archie B. Fancher

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September 29th, 1926.

Mr. E. T. Austin,
Water Works Department,
Wellleville, Ont.

My dear Mr. Austin:

Thank you very much for your kind note of September 27th. I am sorry that the sermon you mentioned is not in typed so that I can send you a copy.

I will, however, be glad to pass on the information to our organist and soloist with the hope that at some future time you may enjoy the selections you mentioned.

Thanking you for your kindness and all good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,



Water Works Department

E. T. AUSTIN, MANAGER

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Belleville, Ontario
Canada

Sept 27 - 26

Rev Stewart. M. Robinson,

Lockport. N. Y.

Dear Sir

your Sunday morning Services are wonderful in every respect,
Would it be asking to much for the following
Pastors Sermon, (Divorce and what you think of same)
I also wish you would ask Mr. Poole your organist to play
The (Lord Chord) I heard him play same last spring and
it was excellent.
and Mr. Barnes to sing (One sweetly Solem Thought)
(Carey Ambrosie)
and Mr. Snellgrove to play (Ava Maria) (Schubert Wilhelm)
again Thanking you

I am

your truly
E. T. Austin